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Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF INFORMATION
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the references cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed January 29, 2005 (a copy of which is enclosed); specifically, JP 63-252350, JP 3-2304, JP 8-1534 and JP 7-6229. As was pointed out in the Amendment filed February 28, 2005, the Examiner MUST consider the foreign references to the extent possible and initial form PTO-1449 for the IDS. Further, Applicants provided English Abstracts for JP 63-25350, JP 8-01534, and JP 7-2646221 with the Amendment filed February 28, 2005. Foreign references JP 3-02304 and JP 7-62779 have corresponding counterpart U.S. Patents; i.e., U.S. Patent Nos. 4,599,285 and 4,873,531, respectively.

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In conclusion, since the Notice of Allowance mailed March 29, 2005 did not include an indication that these references have been considered by the Examiner, Applicants respectfully request notification of same.

Respectfully submitted,



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